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FM AMEMBASSY PORT OF SPAIN
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 998

UNCLAS PORT OF SPAIN 2108

ATTN: SCA

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: CGEN TD
SUBJ: CONSULAR ASSISTANCE TEAM

REF: STATE 163018

FOLLOWING STATUS REPORT ON CAT RECOMMENDATIONS IS KEYED TO
REFTEL:

1. WORK HAS STARTED ON OUTSIDE PAVILLION WITH POSSIBLE COMPLETION BY LATE SEPTEMBER. CONTRACTOR DOES NOT PLAN TO INITIATE INTERIOR OFFICE MODIFICATIONS UNTIL SEPTEMBER.
2. EFFORTS TO LOCATE CANOPY FOR TEMPORARY COVER HAVE BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL. AS NIV SEASON WILL HAVE PEAKED BY MID-AUGUST AND IN VIEW ESTIMATED COMPLETION OF PAVILLION, EMBASSY DOES NOT PLAN TO PURSUE TEMPORARY ARRANGEMENT.
3. INTERIOR MOVES CANNOT BE CARRIED OUT UNTIL AT LEAST SOME INTERIOR MODIFICATIONS ARE IMPLEMENTED, I.E., INSTALLATION OF DOORS, PARTITIONS, ETC.
4. ELECTRICAL SYSTEM IS BEING IMPROVED TO INCREASE EMBASSY'S LOAD CAPACITY. PROBABLE COMPLETION IN UNCLASSIFIED

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SEPTEMBER.

5. TEMPORARY SIGNS HAVE BEEN INSTALLED IN THE PUBLIC AREAS. PERMANENT SIGNS WILL BE ORDERED WHEN MODIFICATIONS ARE INITIATED.
6. EMBASSY BELIEVES AVLOS TERMINAL COULD BEST BE

INSTALLED IN AREA OF PRESENT FILE ROOM UNTIL MODIFICATIONS ARE COMPLETED. FURTHER ASSESSMENT WILL BE MADE WHEN AVLOS TECHNICIANS ARRIVE EARLY AUGUST.

7. BEING DONE BY DEPARTMENT (O/C).

8. ADDITIONAL VISA MACHINE ORDERED (APRIL 1977) BUT HAS NOT BEEN RECEIVED TO DATE.

9. EMBASSY EXECUTIVE OFFICE HAS WORD PROCESSING EQUIPMENT WHICH IS MORE THAN ADEQUATE FOR ACTUAL AND PROJECTED CONSULAR IN-PUT FOR FORESEEABLE FUTURE.

10. NEW IV PACKETS NOW BEING PRINTED LOCALLY WILL NOT REQUIRE USE OF ENVELOPES.

11. WHILE CONGRESSIONAL CORRESPONDENCE IS NOT PARTICULARLY HEAVY AT THIS POST, CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT IS PROCESSED WITH H-PASS CABLES.

12. NIV CASES ARE BEING ADJUDICATED PRIOR TO COMPLETION OF NAME-CHECK.

13. INFORMAL REPLY SYSTEM BEING USED FOR ALL ROUTINE VISA CORRESPONDENCE.
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14. EMBASSY EXPERIMENTED WITH SANTO DOMINGO SYSTEM OF HAVING SUCCESSFUL NIV APPLICANTS RETURN IN AFTERNOON TO CLAIM VISAED PASSPORTS. IT WAS FOUND, HOWEVER, THAT VISAS COULD BE ISSUED WITHIN 10-15 MINUTES AND CROWD CONTROL PROBLEMS WERE LESS BY INTERVIEWING, PROCESSING AND ISSUING DURING ONE VISIT WITH APPLICANTS BEING PROCESSED ON FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED BASIS. USE OF DOUBLE NUMBERED TICKETS THEREFORE SERVE NO PARTICULAR PURPOSE.

15. ALTHOUGH POST HAS DEVELOPED ITS OWN VISA REFERRAL SYSTEM WHICH CAT FAVORABLY REVIEWED, DEPARTMENT'S INSTRUCTION ON SAME SUBJECT NOT YET RECEIVED.
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